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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

It has come to my attention that there may be further delays in the recent settlement between Microsoft and the Justice Department. I really don't think this is necessary. Considering the fact that Microsoft has gone above and beyond the call of duty to help our IT sector move forward, it is ridiculous to further delay the process.

It is beyond me as to why some parties feel they need to delay this matter any further. Not only has Microsoft has agreed to reconfigure marketing and licensing agreements, but has agreed to design future versions of Windows to promote installation of non-Microsoft software. Beyond this, they have agreed to be reviewed by a committee that will make sure that they follow procedure. All of this was done in the interest of our entire technology industry. Microsoft, as well as most other IT companies, wants to move forward and get back to business.

The settlement is very fair and should be finalized as soon as possible. Microsoft's opponents should not be allowed to derail it; it is my sincere hope that you will not do anything to hang it up.

Sincerely,

Wendy Bolding

cc: Senator Rick Santorum

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